REMARKS

Claims 1-61 are currently pending in the subject application and are presently under consideration. A current listing of the claims is shown at pp. 2-13 of the Reply.

In the subject Office Action, the Examiner rejects claims 1-61 on the grounds of non-statutory obviousness type double patenting as being un-patentable over claims 1 - 26 of copending Application No. 10/356,425. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested in view of the Terminal Disclaimer filed herewith. Favorable reconsideration of the subject patent application is respectfully requested in view of the comments herein.

CONCLUSION

The present application is believed to be in condition for allowance in view of the above comments and amendments. A prompt action to such end is earnestly solicited. In the event any fees are due in connection with this document, the Commissioner is authorized to charge those fees to Deposit Account No. 50-1063 [QUALP1020USB].

Should the Examiner believe a telephone interview would be helpful to expedite favorable prosecution, the Examiner is invited to contact applicant's undersigned representative at the telephone number below.

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